NHS England's Learning Disability and/or Autism Advisory Group

What you will do if you are on the advisory group



Bring ideas and comments to the Advisory group to help NHS England with its work on learning disability and/or autism.

Talk to people in your network about the work of the advisory group. Report back what people say.

Bring your own experiences of health and care.

Tell NHS England what needs to happen to make health services better for people with a learning disability and/or autism.



Represent the views of people with a learning disability and/or autism, their families, carers and supporters.

Who can be part of the advisory group



We would like 12 people in the advisory group:

- At least 3 people with a learning disability
- At least 3 people who have autism

• At least 3 family members We would like to include people who can speak up for people with more serve learning disabilities too.



We will make sure there are people from different areas of the country on the Advisory Group.

We would like there to be people of different ages and ethnicities.



You will need to be part of other local and/or national learning disability or autism groups.

You will need experience of representing people with a learning disability and/or autism.



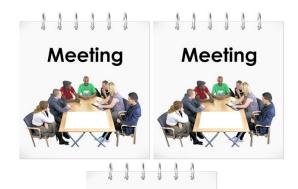
It would be good if you have experience of speaking in large groups and giving presentations.



You will need to be interested in the work that NHS England does. For example:

- Annual health checks
- Assessment and treatment units
- Care and treatment reviews
- Improving access to mainstream service
- Jobs in the NHS
- Making information accessible

How we will work together



Meeting

The advisory group will meet three times in one year.

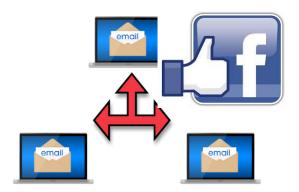
The meetings will be between 11am and 3pm with a lunch break.

After one year we will review the advisory group.



We will write notes after every meeting.

The group can use these when they talk to other people about the advisory group.



We will make a group on Facebook so that people can contact each other.

We will also share the group's email addresses.



We will do a plan for the meeting. We will send it to the group one month before the meeting.

You might be able to add something to the plan that you want to talk about. If we agree before the meeting.



We will send a final plan two weeks before the meeting. We will do this by email.



We will film parts of the meeting. We will put the films on NHS England's YouTube channel.

Support for Advisory Group members



If you are not paid by an organisation, we will pay you an involvement payment. We will pay people £150 per meeting.



If you need a support worker or a personal assistant, please let us know.

We will try to cover those costs.



We will pay for your travel expenses to get to the meetings.



If you get benefits you need to talk to your benefits adviser before you accept any payments from us. If you need help with this, please let us know.

Would you like to be on the advisory group?

How to apply to be on the advisory group



Please read all of this information before applying to be on the advisory group.



If you apply to be on the Advisory Group you must be able to come to the first meeting. It will be between 11-3pm on **Friday 21st October** in Leeds.



You will need to fill in an online survey if you would like to be on the advisory group. You must do this by **Friday 16**th **September**.



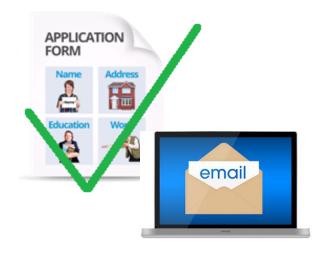
Someone can fill in the survey on your behalf if you give them permission.



If you have any trouble you can phone us or email us. Our phone number is 01138 249 686.

Our email address is LDEngage@nhs.net

When we get your application form



You will get an email to say that we have got your application to be on the advisory group.



The advisory group members will be picked by a panel of people from NHS England. At least one person on the panel will have a learning disability.



If your application to be on the advisory group is successful, we will call you on **Friday 23 September.**

If you would like this information in a different format, please let us know.